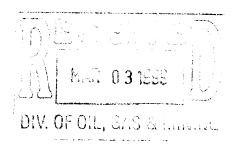


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February 28, 1999

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Gentleman:

Enclosed are the monthly discharge reports for the Deer Creek, Des-Bee-Dove, Trail Mountain, and Wilberg mines and the Hunter Coal Preparation and Blending Facility for the month of January 1999.

Please be advised that the Deer Creek Mine, UPDES permit number UT0023604-002 exceeded effluent limitations on Total Iron with a value of 1.1 mg/L. The sample was taken January 6, 1999 and the lab report was received February 4, 1999.

Energy West contributes the exceedance to an unusually high TSS value of 32-mg/L. Dissolved iron was only 0.2 mg/L, which relates the total iron concentration to the suspended solids. TSS was taken again on January 19, 1999 and reported a value of 5-mg/L. Energy West intends to keep close observation on the total iron and TSS parameters to determine whether corrective actions are needed.

If you have any questions concerning this report, please feel free to call Dennis Oakley at 687-4825 or Chuck Semborski at 687-4720.

Sincerely

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